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1. OUR LATEST INFORMATION IS THAT BULGARIAN-TURKISH BORDER IS OPEN TO ROAD AND TRAIN TRAVEL.
2. FYI. HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS IN SOFIA AND OTHER BULGARIAN CITIES ARE IN SOMEWHAT SHORT SUPPLY. TRAVELERS SHOULD BE URGED TO MAKE FIRM RESERVATIONS PRIOR TO TRAVEL OR PLAN TO TRANSIT BULGARIA WITHOUT STOPOVER. HOLDERS OF AMERICAN TOURIST PASSPORTS CAN OBTAIN BULGARIAN TRANSIT VISA GOOD FOR 48 HOURS (ONLY ONE NIGHT STAY) AT BORDER FOR EQUIVALENT OF ABOUT US 5.00 DOLLARS. HOLDERS OF DIPLO-MATIC OR OFFICIAL PASSPORTS MUST HAVE VISA ISSUED BY BUL-GARIAN EMBASSY OR CONSULATE.
3. BULGARIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE NO PLANS TO CLOSE BORDER, AND HAVE PROMISED TO KEEP US ADVISED OF ANY CHANGES. WILL KEEP ISTANBUL NOTIFIED OF ANY CHANGES IN TRAVEL CONDITIONS THAT COME TO OUR ATTENTION.
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